

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the, FBI, Tri-City Drug Task Force, and the Grand Island Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Kevin Boslau was found guilty by a United States District Court jury of disposing of firearms to a person he knew to be a felon and also of making false statements in connection with the acquisition of a firearm. The evidence at trial established that Kevin Boslau purchased a total of four handguns at different times from February 2008 through July 2008 for a person who had twice before been convicted of a felony and who had been providing Kevin Boslau with methamphetamine. When Kevin Boslau purchased the last handgun in July 2008 he completed an Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive's form. On that form Kevin Boslau stated that he was the actual purchaser of the firearm and that he was not an unlawful user of a controlled substance. The evidence at trial also established that two of the four handguns have been recovered. The person to whom Kevin Boslau was providing the handguns had one of the handguns when that person was arrested in November of 2008. Another handgun was recovered by the Lincoln Police Department when an officer discovered a vehicle that had been in an accident and the driver fled the scene. The Honorable Richard Kopf, United Stated District Court Judge, presided over the trial. The sentencing hearing has been set for December 9, 2009.

Name of Defendant: Kevin Boslau

AKA:

Age: 48

City of residence: Grand Island, NE

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Count I: Selling or disposing of a firearm to a felon, up to 10 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment. Count II: Making a false statement in connection with the acquisition of a firearm, up to 10 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Grand Island, NE

Location of Arrest: Grand Island, NE

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: February 2008 through July 2008

Federal Arrest Date: December 19, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: December 17, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: December 23, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Jury trial held September 8 and 9

Sentencing Date: December 9, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: Sentencing

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable David Piester, United States Magistrate Judge, retired and The Honorable Richard Kopf, United States District Court Judge

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Was taken into custody on September 9, 2009

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Richard Kopf, United States District Court Judge

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